

# State of Alaska-Division of Fire and Life Safety

Bureau of Fire Accreditation, Standards and Training

## **F-1712 Certified Fire Investigator (CFI)**

**Dates:** April 24-28, 2017

**Location:** Hagevig Fire Training Center  
Juneau, AK

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course addresses the technical and scientific knowledge and skills needed to conduct successful fire/arson investigations. Upon completion of the course, the students will be equipped to identify the origin and cause of a fire, conduct a technically and legally sound investigation, and pursue the case through the judicial system.

Subjects covered include health and safety, scientific method, fire dynamics, myths and legends, investigative resources, electrical fire investigations, origin and cause, evidence collection and preservation, documenting the scene, report writing, injury and fatal fire investigation, vehicle fires, case solvability, legal considerations, and motivation, interviewing, and interrogation. The course is designed to meet or exceed the applicable sections of NFPA 1033, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator.

### **TARGET AUDIENCE:**

For new investigators who have limited fire investigation experience.

### **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

This course is offered during Alaska Association of Fire and Arson Investigators 2017 Conference with assistance from the Bureau of Fire Accreditation, Standards and Training. Students will need to register for the AAFAI Conference through their website ([see registration link previous page](#)). Completion of this class with 100% attendance enables student to test for Alaska Certified Fire Investigator (CFI).

**Note:** Alaska CFI prerequisites are HAZMAT Awareness and Alaska Fire Investigator Technician (AKFIT). After successful completion of test, students will have one year to complete prerequisites.

AKFIT is an online class, to access go to:

<http://dps.alaska.gov/AFSC/certifications.aspx>

And then click the Fire Investigator Directive.

**Class Size Maximum:** 25

### **Instructors:**

Jason Mardirosian has been a fire/arson investigator for the Chicago F.D. Office of Fire Investigations since 2000. He is certified by IAAI to teach Evidence Collection Technician and Basic Fire Investigation courses. He is an IAAI CFI, NAFI CFEI and M-IAFI.

John Gamboa is a recently retired Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms Senior Special Agent/CFI after 32 years of service. He is a co-founder of the DuPage, Kane and South Suburban County Wide Fire Investigation Task Forces in the Chicago area.

### **Registration Deadline:**

**Student Tuition:** \$400.00 AAFAI Members  
\$500.00 Non Members  
After March 15, 2017 fees go up \$100.00